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Enclosed herewith is the Amendment and Response of A. Aguzzi, et al, for "DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTICS FOR TRANSMISSABLE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY AND METHODS FOR THE MANUFCTURE OF NON-INFECTIVE BLOOD PRODUCTS AND TISSUE DERIVED PRODUCTS", Serial No. 09/554,567, filed September 10, 2000.

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